

2018-10-18 Systems of ODEs with Real Eigenvalues (3.3)

Q1. Now consider this function and sketch the phase plane if eigenvalues $r_1 < 0 < r_2$:

$$\vec{p} = A \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-2t} + B \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{5t}$$

Method:

1. Draw easy solutions where A and B are both 1

- Draw eigen vectors
- Then, try to draw the graph when $A = B = 1$, and as t goes from $-\infty$ to $+\infty$:
- **Use easy t values to get direction and behaviour:** It will pass the point when $t = 0$. (Which is easy to find out)
- When $t = -\infty$, $[2, 1]$ part becomes very large (b/c $e^{-2t} \rightarrow \infty$), and $[-1, 1]$ part becomes very small (b/c $e^{5t} \rightarrow 0$). As a result, the curve becomes nearly parallel to the line $[2, 1]$.
- When $t = +\infty$, $[2, 1]$ part becomes very small (b/c $e^{-2t} \rightarrow 0$), and $[-1, 1]$ part becomes very large (b/c $e^{5t} \rightarrow \infty$). As a result, the curve becomes nearly parallel to the line $[-1, 1]$.
- **Other methods to find direction:**
 - 1. Plot $t=0$, and $t=1$ and draw a vector from point 0 to point 1
 - 2. Follow the direction of eigen vectors, similar to phase planes.

2. Then we get the graph when $A = B = 1$. (Similar to $y = \frac{1}{x}$)

3. Finally, we use the properties of symmetry to finish it.

Q2: What is A and B given $I(0) = 200$ and $c(0) = 100$?

$$\vec{p} = A \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-2t} + B \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{5t}$$

- Set $t=0$
- $200 = 2A + -1B$
- $100 = 1A + 1B$
- Therefore, $A=100$, $B=0$

Q3: What kind of critical point is (0,0)?

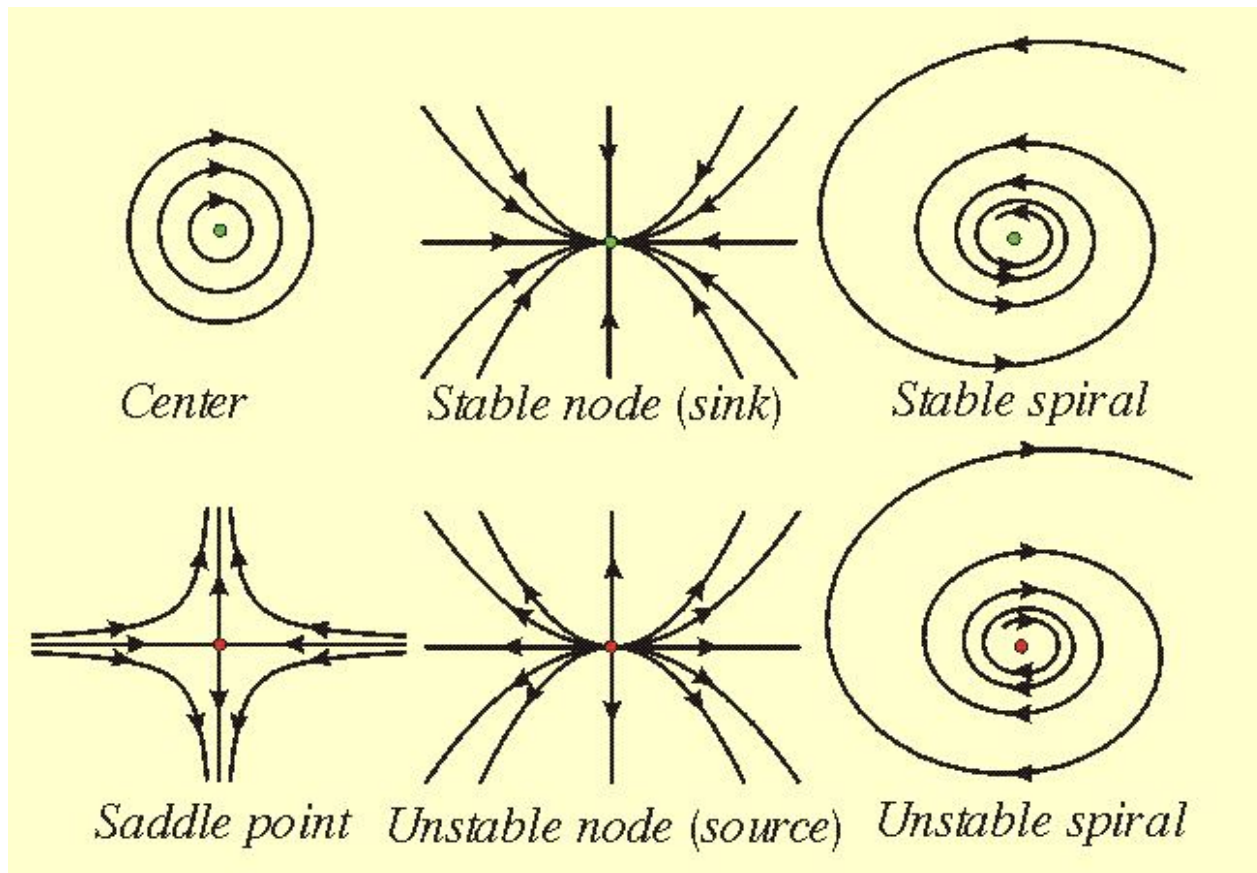
Ans: Saddle point which is unstable.

Not stable because solutions do not converge to (0,0) but instead, pass by it.

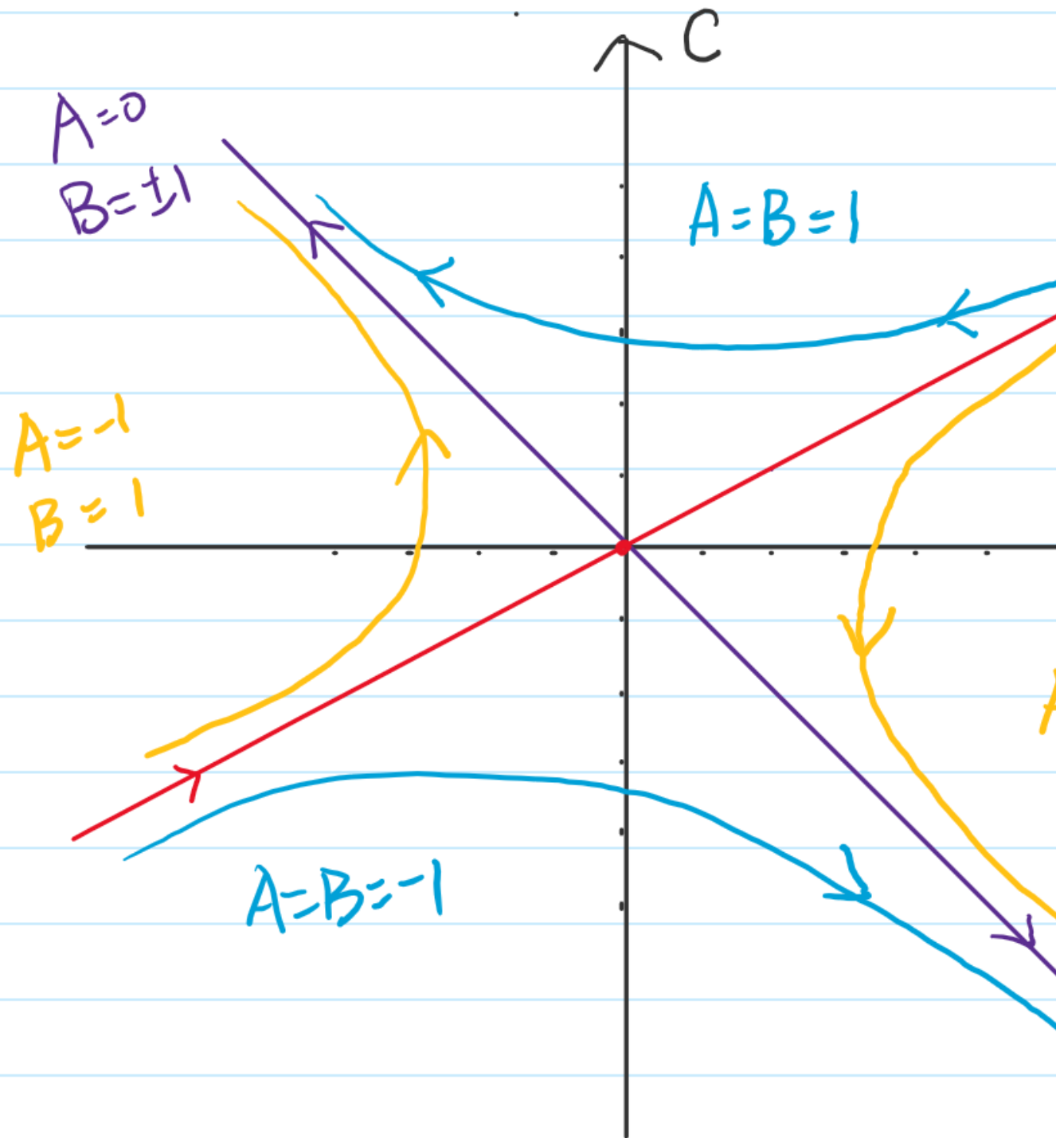
- Other Resources:

The classification of critical points: [Link](http://staffwww.ltu.se/~larserik/applmath/chap9en/part7.html)

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From the above method, we know the $(0, 0)$ point in $\vec{p} = A \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{-2t} + B \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{5t}$ is unstable.



Saddle point

*Note:

- the solution curves move in consistent directions. E.g. the yellow and blue curves move in the same direction; otherwise, they would crash into each other.
- the probability of hitting the red curve is zero, because the area of the curve is 0.

Q. Now consider this function and sketch the phase plane:

$$p(t) = A \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{(-2t)} + B \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{(-5t)}$$

The graph of $p(t)$ would be the same as,

$$p(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} c_1 e^{5t} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} c_2 e^{2t}$$

but with opposite arrow directions.